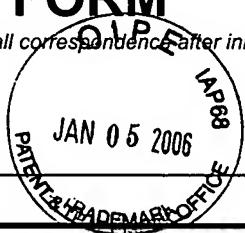


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<u>Small Entity</u>
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Multiple dependent claims

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SERIAL NO.: 10/685,581	FILING DATE: 10/16/03	EXAMINER: Thomas A. Beach	GROUP ART UNIT:	3671

INVENTOR(S): Kinichi OTSUKA et al.

TITLE: WORK VEHICLE WITH TILT FLOOR

THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS  
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- Applicant maintains the previous claim to small entity status of this application. See 37 C.F.R § 1.27
- Applicant hereby claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
- No additional fee is required.
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Dear Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are submitted in response to the Official action mailed October 5, 2005. The Official action set forth a three-month period for response, making this response due on or before January 5, 2006.

Claim amendments begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.